Reading – Informational Text (RI)

Expectations for Teaching and Learning

Learning should be modeled, supported, and reflect gradual release of responsibility at all levels.

Teachers should continue to address earlier standards as they apply to more complex text.

Students are expected to build upon and continue applying concepts learned previously.

Fundamentals of Reading

- Integrate an information (cueing) system that includes meaning (semantics), structure (syntax), visual (graphophonic), and pragmatics (schematic) to make meaning from text.
- Gain understanding by applying reading strategies of monitoring, searching, confirming, cross-checking, rereading and self-correcting.
- Employ comprehension strategies before, during, and after reading text using schema, annotating, questioning, visualizing, drawing inferences, determining importance, summarizing, and synthesizing.
- Use metacognition to monitor meaning and adjust strategies while reading.
- Notice and analyze an author's style and techniques to construct meaning.

Principles of Reading (P)

Standard 1: Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.

GRADE SIX	GRADE SEVEN	GRADE EIGHT
1.1 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.		
Grade 1 Recognize the distinguishing features of a sentence.		
1.2 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.		
Kindergarten Recognize that spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters.		
1.3 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.		
Kindergarten Understand that words are separated by spaces in print.		
1.4 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.		
Kindergarten Recognize and name all upper- and lowercase letters of the alphabet.		



Standard 2: Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds

2.1 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Grade 1 Distinguish long from short vowel sounds in spoken single-syllable words.

2.2 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Grade 1 Orally produce single-syllable words by blending sounds including consonant blends in spoken words.

2.3 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Grade 1 Isolate and pronounce initial, medial vowel, and final sounds in spoken single-syllable words.

2.4 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Grade 1 Segment spoken single-syllable words into their complete sequence of individual sounds.

2.5 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Kindergarten Add or substitute individual sounds in simple, one-syllable words to make new words.

Standard 3: Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.

3.1 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Grade 4 Use combined knowledge of all letter-sound correspondences, syllabication patterns, base words, and affixes to read accurately unfamiliar multisyllabic words in context.

3.2 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Grade 2 Use knowledge of how syllables work to read multisyllabic words.

3.3 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Grade 2 Read irregularly spelled two-syllable words and words with common prefixes and suffixes.

3.4 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Grade 2 Use and apply knowledge of vowel diphthongs.

3.5 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Grade 2 Use and apply knowledge of how inflectional endings change words.

3.6 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Grade 3 Read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.

Standard 4: Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

Standard II Read with Sufficient accuracy and	a machey to support comprehension.	
4.1 Read grade-level text with purpose and	4.1 Read grade-level text with purpose and	4.1 Read grade-level text with purpose and
understanding.	understanding.	understanding.
4.2 Read grade-level prose and poetry orally	4.2 Read grade-level prose and poetry orally	4.2 Read grade-level prose and poetry orally
with accuracy, appropriate rate,	with accuracy, appropriate rate,	with accuracy, appropriate rate,
expression, intonation, and phrasing on	expression, intonation, and phrasing on	expression, intonation, and phrasing on
successive readings.	successive readings.	successive readings.
4.3 Use context to confirm or self-correct word	4.3 Use context to confirm or self-correct word	4.3 Use context to confirm or self-correct word
recognition and understanding, rereading	recognition and understanding, rereading	recognition and understanding, rereading
as necessary.	as necessary.	as necessary.



Meaning and Context (MC)

Standard 5: Determine meaning and develop logical interpretations by making predictions, inferring, drawing conclusions, analyzing, synthesizing, providing evidence, and investigating multiple interpretations.

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GRADE SIX	GRADE SEVEN	GRADE EIGHT
5.1 Cite textual evidence to support analysis of	5.1 Cite multiple examples of textual evidence	5.1 Cite the evidence that most strongly
what the text says explicitly as well as	to support analysis of what the text says	supports an analysis of what the text says
inferences drawn from the text.	explicitly as well as inferences drawn from	explicitly as well as inferences drawn
	the text.	from the text.
5.2 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.		
Grade 2 Make predictions before and during reading; confirm or modify thinking.		

Standard 6: Summarize key details and ideas to support analysis of central ideas.

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6.1 Provide an objective summary of a text	6.1 Provide an objective summary of a text	6.1 Provide an objective summary of a text
with two or more central ideas; cite key	with two or more central ideas; cite key	with two or more central ideas; cite key
supporting details.	supporting details to analyze their	supporting details to analyze their
	development.	development.

Standard 7: Research events, topics, ideas, or concepts through multiple media, formats, and in visual, auditory, and kinesthetic modalities.

7.1 Integrate information presented in different	7.1 Compare and contrast a text to an audio,	7.1 Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages
media or formats to develop a coherent	video, or multimedia version of the text,	of using different mediums to present a
understanding of a topic or issue.	analyzing each medium's portrayal of the	particular topic or idea.
	subject.	

Language, Craft, and Structure (LCS)

Standard 8: Interpret and analyze the author's use of words, phrases, text features, conventions, and structures, and how their relationships shape meaning and tone in print and multimedia texts.

GRADE SIX	GRADE SEVEN	GRADE EIGHT
8.1 Determine figurative, connotative, and	8.1 Determine figurative, connotative, and	8.1 Determine figurative, connotative, and
technical meanings of words and phrases	technical meanings of words and phrases	technical meanings of words and phrases
used in a text; analyze the impact of	used in a text; analyze the impact of	used in a text; analyze the impact of
specific word choice on meaning and tone.	specific words or phrases on meaning and	specific words, phrases, analogies, or
	tone.	allusions on meaning and tone.
8.2 Identify text features and structures that	8.2 Determine the impact of text features and	8.2 Analyze the impact of text features and
support an author's ideas or claim.	structures on an author's ideas or claim.	structures on authors' similar ideas or
		claims about the same topic.



Standard 9: Apply a range of strategies to determine and deepen the meaning of known, unknown, and multiple meaning words, phrase and jargon; acquire and use general academic and domain-specific vocabulary.

9.1 Determine the meaning of a word or phrase	9.1 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
using the overall meaning of a text or a	
word's position or function.	
9.2 Determine or clarify the meaning of a word	9.2 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
or phrase using knowledge of word	
patterns, origins, bases, and affixes.	

9.3 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Grade 2 Use a base word to determine the meaning of an unknown word with the same base.

9.4 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Grade 4 Consult print and multimedia resources to find the pronunciation and determine or clarify the precise meaning of key words or phrases.

9.5 Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

Grade 5 Acquire and use general academic and domain specific words or phrases that signal contrast, addition, and logical relationships; demonstrate and understanding of nuances and jargon.

Standard 10: Analyze and provide evidence of how the author's choice of purpose or perspective shapes content, meaning, and style.

10.1 Analyze multiple accounts of the same	10.1 Determine an author's perspective or	10.1 Determine an author's perspective or
event or topic, noting important	purpose and analyze how the author	purpose and analyze how the author
similarities and differences in the	distinguishes his/her position from others.	acknowledges or responds to conflicting
perspective represented.		evidence or viewpoints.

Standard 11: Analyze and critique how the author uses structures in print and multimedia texts to craft informational and argument writing.

11.1 Identify text features and structures that	11.1 Determine the impact of text features and	11.1 Analyze the impact of text features and
support an author's idea or claim.	structures on an author's ideas or claims.	structures on authors' similar ideas or
		claims about the same topic.
11.2 Trace and evaluate the argument and	11.2 Trace and evaluate the argument and	11.2 Analyze and evaluate the argument and
specific claims, distinguishing claims that	specific claims in a text, assessing whether	specific claims in a text, assessing whether
are supported by reasons and evidence	the reasoning is sound and the evidence is	the reasoning is sound and the evidence is
from claims that are not.	relevant and sufficient to support the	relevant and sufficient; recognize when
	claims.	irrelevant evidence is introduced.



Range and Complexity (RC)

Standard 12: Read independently and comprehend a variety of texts for the purposes of reading for enjoyment, acquiring new

learning and building stamina; reflect and respond to increasingly complex text over time.

GRADE SIX	GRADE SEVEN	GRADE EIGHT
12.1 Engage in whole and small group reading	12.1 Engage in whole and small group reading	12.1 Engage in whole and small group reading
with purpose and understanding.	with purpose and understanding.	with purpose and understanding.
12.2 Read independently for sustained periods	12.2 Read independently for sustained periods	12.2 Read independently for sustained periods
of time.	of time.	of time.
12.3 Read and respond according to task and	12.3 Read and respond according to task and	12.3 Read and respond according to task and
purpose to become self-directed, critical	purpose to become self-directed, critical	purpose to become self-directed, critical
readers and thinkers.	readers and thinkers.	readers and thinkers.

